the State Revenue Authorities. When the land is temporarily acquired on lease, there is no obligation on ONGC to provide employment to the members of the affected families.

Rabi Programme in Orissa

4560. SHRI BRAJA KISHORE TRIPATHY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to take up a contingency plan for Orissa for Rabi Programme in order to take advantage of the post-flood conditions;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps taken so far in this regard; and

(d) the funds released or proposed to be released for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) to (c). The government does not propose to take up any Contingency Plan for Orissa for Rabi Programme. However, to take advantage of the post flood conditions, the following Strategy of production during rabi/summer season of 1991-92 has been worked out by the Orissa State Department of Agriculture which was discussed and finalised at the National conference of Rabi Campaign held in New Delhi in September, 1991. The details are given below:-

(i) With the residual moisture available either after receding of flood water of after the harvest of autumn and mid-term paddy, depending upon situation, pulses like green gram, black gram; oilseeds like groundnut, seasmum and mustard may be given priority for extensive coverage;

(ii) Wherever small irrigation sources including lift irrigation are available, emphasis should be given to provide irrigation to pulses, groundnut and mustard crops. Irrigation water from major projects should be used judiciously for growing Wheat and summer paddy;

(iii) Special emphasis be given on timely sowings, use of weedicide and increased coverage with high yielding varieties and growing them with proper package of practices for higher crop production; and

(iv) Arrangement of inputs should be made well in advance.

The progress of Rabi Production Programme in Orissa is being monitored by the Union Ministry of Agriculture.

(d) No special financial assistance has been provided for 1991-92 for contingent crop planning for rabi production programme.

Ganga Barrage project at Kanpur

4561. SHRI KESHRI LAL: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Uttar Pradesh has since submitted to the Union Government the modified project record regarding the Ganga barrage Project at Kanpur; and

(b) if so, the details including the estimated cost thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYACHARAN SHUKLA): (a) and (b). the modified project report on Ganga Barrage at Kanpur, incorporating all the outstanding observations of appraising agencies of Central Water Commission and findings of model studies has not been received from Government of Uttar Pradesh in Central Water Commission. While the barrage will enable water supply to Kanpur city, cooling water supply for power house and dry weather flow along the Ghats of Kanpur, the details and cost can be quantified after the modified proposal is formulated.

Relief to Unemployed Fisherman in Kerala

4562. SHRIMATI SUSEELA GOPALAN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have given any relief to the fisherman who are unemployed due to infliction of Epizootic Ulcerative syndrome (EUS) in the fish species in the Vembanad lake and the canals in Alleppey district, Kerala;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to help them since the people are reluctant to buy even the uninfected fish since the infection is still continuing?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The Central Government have no proposal/Scheme at present to extend relief to fishermen affected due to the incidence of Epizootic Ulcerative Syndrome.

Model Bill on Scientific Regulation of Water

4563. SHRI V. SOBHANADREESWARA RAO:
DR. K.V.R. CHOWDARY:

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether a model bill for scientific regulation of water has been circulated to the State Governments for enactment of suitable legislation;

(b) if so, the action taken by the State Governments thereon;

(c) whether any scheme has been formulated for recharge of ground water; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYACHARAN SHUKLA): (a) and (b). A draft model bill on Ground Water control and regulation was circulated to the State Governments in 1970 for enactments of suitable Legislation. Only Gujarat has enacted some legislation albeit not in conformity with the model bill.

(c) and (d). A Central Sector Scheme for artificial recharge of ground water has been prepared by Central Ground Water Board for implementation during VIII Plan. The scheme envisages experimental studies in two State and operational recharge studies in two Union Territories. The State governments have also been advised to take up artificial recharge studies within their own plan in areas threatened by ground water depletion.